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In the claims:

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended Once) A film composite for a container closure for use on a container with an opening bounded by a peripheral edge, wherein the film composite consists of a plurality of layers and between the upper-most layer and the layer beneath it there is arranged an adhesive layer at least over a joining surface, wherein the upper-most layer of the film composite comprises an upwardly projecting fold.
 2. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the film composite includes a sealing layer, a middle layer, and a facing layer.
 3. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the fold is arranged off-center.
 4. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 3, wherein the fold divides the surface of the opening of the container into two areas, the smaller of which makes up between 40 percent and less than 50 percent of the surface.
 5. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the fold includes a fold bottom which forms a straight line that passes diagonally through the entire area of the film composite zone arranged on the opening.
 6. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the fold has a constant height from the fold bottom to the fold tip.

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7. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the fold extends roughly 0.5 to 2 cm from the fold bottom to the fold tip.

8. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 7, wherein the fold extends roughly 1 to 1.5 cm from the fold bottom to the fold tip.

9. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the upper layer forming the fold is provided with the adhesive layer in such a way that the adhesive layer also covers the surface area forming the fold.

10. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 9, wherein the adhesive layer covers the whole area of the under side of the upper layer of the film composite.

11. (Amended Once) The film composite of claim 1, wherein the film composite is slightly greater than the opening extends beyond the peripheral edge.

12. (Amended Once) A sealing disc for a container closure for use on a container with an opening bounded by a peripheral edge, the lower areas of the sealing disc comprise a film composite, comprising a plurality of layers and between the upper-most layer and the layer beneath it there is arranged an adhesive layer at least over a joining surface, wherein the upper-most layer of the film composite comprises an upwardly projecting fold.

Please add the following new claims:

-- 13. (New) A film composite for a container closure for use on a container with an opening bounded by a peripheral edge, comprising:

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an upper layer and a lower layer, each layer extending at least to the peripheral edge of the opening; and

an adhesive layer between the upper layer and the lower layer, the adhesive layer extending at least to the peripheral edge of the upper and lower layers;

wherein the upper layer includes a surface having a surface area, and an engagement device projects upwardly from the surface.

14. (New) The film composite of claim 13, wherein the engagement device is a fold of the upper layer.

15. (New) The film composite of claim 13, wherein the engagement device is a fold of the upper layer and the adhesive layer.

16. (New) The film composite of claim 14, wherein the fold has a base extending between opposing points on the peripheral edge.

17. (New) The film composite of claim 16, wherein the fold includes a fold tip, and the fold has a constant height when measured from the fold base to the fold tip.

18. (New) The film composite of claim 17, wherein the height of the fold is about 0.5 to 2 centimeters.

19. (New) The film composite of claim 17, wherein the height of the fold is about 1 to 1.5 centimeters.